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For: **NOVEL PYRROLYL-THIAZOLE DERIVATIVES**

AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 11, 2005 and further to the Notice of Appeal received by the USPTO on January 9, 2006, the Applicants withdraw the pending appeal and respectfully request that prosecution of the above-identified application be reopened pursuant to MPEP § 1215.01. Submitted herewith is: (1) a Petition For Extension of Time accompanied by the appropriate provision authorizing payment of the required fee extending the time to file the Appeal Brief (or to otherwise reopen prosecution) from March 9, 2006 to May 9, 2006; and (2) a Request For Continued Examination accompanied by the appropriate provision authorizing payment of the required fee. The Applicants respectfully request that the following remarks be made of record in the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 17 of this paper.